(c) Constant and vigorous efforts are made to contain the imports through augmentation of indigenous coal production, achievement of better coke rates resulting in lower consumption, higher supplies of Assam Coal etc. and improving the washery fields.

Metro Project in Calcutta

205. PROF. SOURENDRA BHATTA CHARJEE: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lapses of Metro Railway authorities in Calcutta have been the reason for not completing the Metro Projects within stipulated time;

(b) whether Metro Railways has also failed to initiate action for resolving disputes between the various contractors engaged in the project; and

(c) if so, the steps being contemplated to be taken to expedite the completion of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Allotment of Government accommodation to the Government Servants

206. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of Government employees are in the Waiting lists for more than ten years for allotment of Government accommodation;

(b) if so, the priority date upto which the accommodation has been provided in various categories;

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken to provide accommodation to the Government employees who have come from outside Delhi particularly the Southern States on a preferential basis; and

(d) what is the number of pending applications categories-wise alongwith their priority date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) It is true that a large number of Government employees are in the waiting list for more than ten years for allotment of general pool accommodation.

(b) Dates of priority covered in different types and pools upto Type-V as on 27-8-91 are given in Annexure. The position of satisfaction for other places is in Annexure. *[Vide* Appendix 160; Annexure No. 5 and 6].

(c) Construction of additional General Pool accommodation is taken up to the extent of budget provision made for the Ministry. There is no proposal to give any preferential treatment to people coming from a particular region.

(d) Number of pending applications in different types & pools as on 27-8-91 in Delhi are given in Annexure. *Vide* Appndix 160, Annejxure No. 7]

Loss due to Flood in Orissa

207. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the State of Orissa was effected by massive flood situation marooning more than 2000 villages in six sub-divisions;

(b) if so, the total losses to dwellings, crops, cattle etc. as a result thereof; and

(c) the financial assistance extended by the Central Government for relief measures?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN): (a) and (b) The State Government has reported the following damage to dwellings, crops, catties, etc. based on their preliminary assessment, as a result of heavy rains and floods in the month of August, 1991:

(i) Number of districts affected	11 out of 13.
(ii) Number of villages severely affected .	9404
(iii) Cropped area affected	3.12 lakh hectare.
(iv) Number of houses iamiged . . .	70,000.
(v) Number of human lives lost	15.
(vi) Cattle population severely affected	4.00 lakh.

(c) The Central share of calamity relief fund for Orissa for 1991-92 is Rs. 35.25 crores. Against this amount, the State had drawn an advance of Rs. 5.47 crores during 1990-91. The remaining Central share of Rs. 29.78 crores due to the State during 1991-92 has been released.

Flats to Retired/Retiring Government Servants

208. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether DDA has been offering flats to retired/retiring Government employees;

(b) if so, the details of schemes with formalities required for retiring/retired employees to join the scheme;

(c) what is the criterion to decide the category entitlement of flats of Government employees;

(d) whether applications under the scheme are invited throughout the year;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and if not, the specific periods for invitia* the applications;

(f) the procedure to collect payment from allottees of these fiats after allotment; and

(g) what documents are collected from such allottees to give phycical possession of flats?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and b) Applications are invited from time to time for priority allotments of DDA flats to the already registered retired/retiring public servants. Recently DDA iqyited applications from such registrants under New Pattern Scheme, 1979 and 5th, 6th and 6th-A Self Financing Schemes for making priority allotments to public servants who have retired or are likely to retire on or before 31st December, 1993.

(c) The allotments are made to the registered retired/retiring public servants according to the category under which they are registered.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) As stated in reply to parts (a) & (b) above, applications are invited from time to time and no specific period has been laid down.

(f) The payments are demanded as per the terms and conditions of brochures/allotment letters.

(g) Following documents are required for issuing possession letters:

1. Affidavit declaring eligibility, age etc.
2. Undertaking declaring to become the member of registered agency.
3. Bank Challan
4. Registration Certificate
5. Original Fixed Deposit Receipt
6. Copy of (Ration Card